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LOSS OF THE HERMES.

Further Details.

HARWICH, Nov. 2.

This is the story of what happened
when the Hermes was torpedoed on Sat-
urday morning. The attack was de-
livered about twenty minutes past eight,
when the ship was steaming at a fast
speed. In the ward-room many of the
officers were assembled around the break-
fast table. Some of the ship's company
were in their bunks; they had turned in
a short time previously after being on
watch.

The possibility of a submarine attack
was present to the minds of those on
board, but when the blow fell it took
everybody by surprise. The good look-
out that was kept availed nothing. The
sea was lumpy, and the submarine crept
up within range of her victim without
her presence being suspected. She fired,
and the torpedo struck home, inflicting
sore injury. There was a terrific crash,
the deck appeared to list, and the pas-
sengers were assailed by awful fumes.

Officers and crew alike realised in a
flash what had happened. Those who
were below tumbled up on deck im-
mediately to await orders. Men rudely
awakened from sleep waited long enough
only to draw on scanty attire. The sur-
prise attack caught an officer in the act
of taking his bath. His best means of
exit in the circumstances lay through
the scuttle. He took it, and, unmem-
bered by clothing, had a second bath,
this time in the sea. But he was saved.

TENSE MOMENTS.

From the deck vigilant eyes searched
the waters for any indication of the
whereabouts of the submarine. They
caught never a glimpse of it, although
they soon had further proof of its proxi-
mity. A second torpedo was seen
travelling swiftly towards the ship.
"We were like hypnotised chickens,"
is the phrase used by a survivor to de-
scribe the attitude of mind of himself
and his comrades during these tense
moments.

For a few moments it appeared to the
watchers on the Hermes that the tor-
pedo would miss the ship. It was, how-
ever, only too well aimed. The blow
fell, and with it vanished any chance
of the ship remaining afloat. The saving
of the ship's company now became the
first consideration. Discipline asserted
its influence, and the work was carried
out methodically.

"We had the feeling of not knowing
what would happen any minute, but
there were things to be done, and that
kept us going," remarked a survivor.
Boats were launched, and in one of the
first of them was placed an invalid who
had been the solitary occupant of the
sick bay. Men who were injured by
the torpedo explosions were also afforded
every aid. In fact, the officers and
men of the Hermes behaved admirably
all through their trying ordeal. The
loss of life which has been recorded was
due entirely to the accident of fate.
"Daily Telegraph."

COLD WEATHER.

Allahabad, Nov. 17th.—The Pioneer's
London correspondent writes:—The fighting
in east Prussia has now reached the
area of the Masurian Lakes. No cor-
respondent states whether these are yet
frozen, but it is known that some of the
transport in Poland is now on runners
instead of wheels.
The special correspondent of the Tele-
graph states that the Austrian-German
Council of War decided on the 3rd instant
that the German command should enter the Russian
into the zone of the fortresses of Posen
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one of their flanks. The correspondent
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Telegraph Staff grasped the situation,
and how boldly and efficiently all pos-
sible steps were taken and resolutely per-
sisted in to summon the assistance of
British warships which might be within
call. To the prompt action of the Tele-
graph Staff was due the timely arrival
of the Sydney in readiness to put an end
to the career of the boldest and most
enterprising vessel in the German navy,
and public thanks are due to every mem-
ber of the staff for the most valuable
public service. The account reads as
follows:—At 5.50 a.m. on the 9th, I was in-
formed that a warship with four funnels
was steaming for the entrance between
Hondorrough and Direction Islands.
Quickly investigating and finding that
the fourth funnel was palpably canvas,
I found Mr. La Nauze and instructed
him to proceed immediately to the wire-
less hut and to put out a general call
to the effect that there was a strange
warship in our vicinity, asking for assistance
and warning our naval allies. At the
same time I proceeded to the office and
sent reviews, as previously instructed,
to London, Adelaide, Perth and Singa-
pore. The Emden, for she was turned
out to be, came in at a great speed,
nearly as far as our outer buoy, where
she wheeled and disclosed an armoured
launch and two heavily manned boats
under her command. They were immedi-
ately slipped and speeded straight for the
jetty. Through a glass we managed to
distinguish four machine guns, two in
the launch and one in the bow of each
boat. This information was conveyed to
the information stations and I per-
manently told Singapore that it was the
Emden.So quick had been their movements,
evidently with the hope of rushing our
wireless, that the slip of the last men-
tioned services was passing through the
stateroom when they entered the office. In
the meantime Mr. La Nauze was putting
out the call. I returned to the wireless
hut, where he informed me that the
Emden and her collier the Boreas were
endeavouring to interrupt him. I in-
structed him to continue the "call," as
the fact of forcing the two ships to use
their strong Telefunken notes could only
have been regarded as a matter for
suspicion if picked up by a warship. I
stood at the corner of the hut to assume
responsibility for the use of the wireless,
until an officer and seven half dozen
blue-jackets ordered us to desist, and
leave. Armed guards ran to all buildings
and the office was taken possession of in
force, the staff being ordered out.

WIRELESS BLOWN UP.

Lieutenant von Muecke, in charge of
the landing party, was exceedingly agree-
able. He informed me that he had land-
ed three officers and forty men, and his
instructions were to destroy the cable
and wireless stations. Further than that,
he said, they would not go, and all
private property would be respected.
He instructed me to collect the staff and
take them to a place of safety as he was
blowing up the wireless mast. Three
charges had to be fired before it fell.
The mainmast was considerably damaged,
the topmast appears injured, and a
short length is broken off the top-jacket
mast. Instruments, engines, dynamo,batteries, etc., were all battered to pieces
with huge axes, one of which I have
and propose sending it to you as a memento.The Emden was for a short time
circling over the cables, but evidently
worried by our wireless she almost im-
mediately stood out to the entrance to
watch for anything coming up. The
only question I was asked was the where-
abouts of the cable ends; the answer
"in the sea" appeared to satisfy them,
as I was not pressed. Whilst all the
damage was being done shore the launch
was searching the fore-shore for our
table.Later they raised Perth, which they
experienced very great difficulty in cut-
ting and which was one of the causes of
their not getting aboard the cruiser. The
cut was made about three hundred yards
from the jetty. At about 8.45 a.m. the
Emden steamed in again and made
frantic endeavours to recall her boats,
being both her flags and siren. The
launch appeared to be unwilling to give
up her cable and some delay was ex-
perienced in getting her in and the men
aboard. Lieut. von Muecke shook hands
with me on leaving and apologised for
having had to blow up our small en-
gine-room owing to there being a roll
of electric light cable there and
hoped the flames would not spread. All
the men were looked over for loot and a
few minutes later put out to rejoin their
ship. The office was left in a terrible
state and it was difficult even to effect
an entrance.

DAMAGE TO TELEGRAPH CABLE.

A great deal of purely wanton and
conscienceless damage was done, such as
breaking windows, tables, chairs, etc.,
but I was exceedingly pleased to find that
no attempt had been made to draw the
artificial line boxes out of their cabinets,
and the greater part of the damage to
these appeared to be superficial and re-
pairable. About twenty boxes of the
Rodriguez line we had moved ourselves;
I hope the larger part of the others
will be found to be in fairly good order.
The cabinets themselves are undamaged,
but all can be put right here. The engine
room, accumulator room, and wireless
hut were in a state of complete collapse.
The damage to the engines, however, is
not nearly so great as it would have been
had dynamite been used, and all should
be workable again when the broken parts
have been replaced. The only lines
that they had recourse to dynamite were
when blowing up the mast and break-
ing up No. 2 store. This latter was
quite a small affair, built up of cor-
rugated iron, and was of no great value.

BATTLE SEEN FROM THE SHORE.

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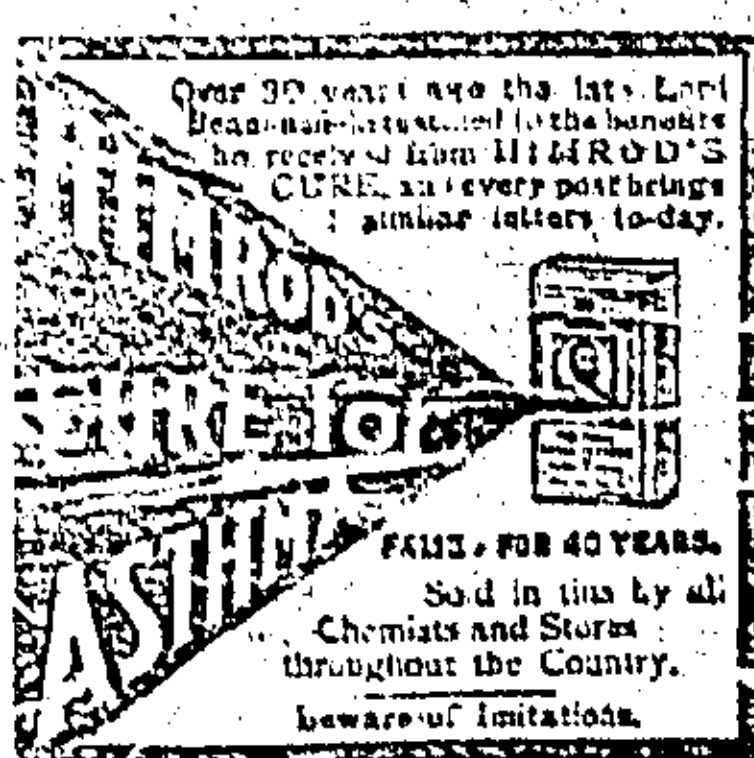
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"EMDEN'S" LAST FIGHT.

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retire him. After reporting as much as was necessary, as we were tired out and working with candles in the midst of a chaos of broken glass, I closed down for the night, telling Batavia to watch for us at daylight.

On the 10th we were early in a position to wire reports and exchange services with Singapore. Discovering a millimeter in a fairly good state of preservation, we were able roughly to test the other two cables, finding Rodrigues in good order and Perth out. We communicated with the former station, and a boat with the hand crew under Mr. Griffin searched successfully for the Perth cable. The cable was somewhat pulled about and had to be straightened before making a temporary connection. The ends were lashed to a lifeboat and communication restored early in the afternoon. Our Chinese lighter was searched by the Germans and I was very glad to receive from Captain Glossop the above mentioned lifeboat which had previously belonged to the Emden's cutter, the Bismarck, and which (German station) should have been useful. The Germans were, by request, good enough to interfere with our refrigerating plant and the condenser. Our large larder, unfortunately, was wantonly turned over and the gears broken; but I will report more fully on this tool when we have had time to look round.

The enemy took away mattresses, pillows, cutlery, plate, and the greater part of our distilled water, and also one of the staff's dinghies. I hope to get a full list made out of everything commiserated at the earliest possible moment. Our stationery and ship cases were not touched and all letters and letter books are intact.

On the 10th inst., at daylight H.M.A.S. Sydney anchored off the island and sent two boats towards the shore. The first had a white flag in the bows and was followed by an armed cutter. They were under the impression that the landing party was still here. At the request of the officer, Lieut. Finlayson, I went off and reported fully to Capt. Glossop.

He explained to me that the Emden was a perfect shambles and asked for the loan of our doctor with my assistants, and any medical stores we could spare. Dr. Ollerhead being willing to go, and Mr. Cardwell anxious to assist, they joined the ship and proceeded to North Keeling. On their arrival, they found the wreck lying a huge white flag, and in a terrible state, it being almost impossible to get about her decks owing to the masses of tangled ironwork. Many of the wounds were already septic and in some cases were blown. She returned to Direction Island on the morning of the 11th, leaving two Germans with broken legs who were on the far side of island to be picked up as she passed out, and

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having landed her passengers proceeded to sea.

On the 10th, as the Emden cut off in by Batavia would interfere with any attempt of passing traffic and indicating that the magnets of the White's Recorder were still intact, I asked Mr. Cherry to hunt amongst the debris for a meter and any stray pieces of a paper strip, as we had both coils and batteries. With the aid of screws, bits of wire and string we were able to arrange matters and had another instrument working early on the 11th. It was difficult to adjust and we were not able to report that we could pass traffic uninterruptedly over the main line until afternoon. All the staff willingly set to work to clean up things and were desirous of helping in any way they possibly could.

Dr. Ollerhead by going on to the roof to inspect the Emden's fourth funnel gave me the chance of putting out the wireless call without any wasted time. Mr. G. H. K. La Nuzze maintained the call under very trying conditions; Mr. Brown worked long hours erecting instruments and rewiring the circuit; Mr. Griffin recovered the Perth ends and straightened out the cable enabling us to make a short connection; Mr. Cherry constructed another instrument out of very unpromising material collected from the debris.

conversion of the "wireless." We had a beautiful day for the battery and light, and it was very difficult to restrain oneself and the staff from cheering the Emden. The Emden had left aboard, I believe 30, who did splendidly and are the pride of the ship. One poor little chap was killed and another wounded. It was a remarkable incident that of the first shots fired by the Emden a shell fell in either of the Sydney's controls, almost simultaneously. She had run in a little too close but speedily rectified her error. It was hard to believe that she was the ship that made such a terrible mess of the Emden. I believe she was hit six times, but with the exception of a dent in her 2.5 inch belt, not deeper than the palm of one's hand, and the yellow streaks of the minute tubes, I saw no other damage. I suppose we were putting out our call for a quarter of an hour, first "strange ship at entrance" and later "Emden here." The first was picked up but I have heard no mention of the second.

GERMAN OFFICER'S STORY.

Lieutenant von Mücke, a tall, pleasant, well-built man, allowed me to do almost everything that I asked him, and I am pleased to say that at my request he sent me one to Home Island. They were all thoroughly sick of the work they had to do and up to their arrival here had not lost a man. He told me that the Emden had a complement of 200 men, of which forty were ashore, but later Dr. Ollerhead said that one of the survivors told him that she had 552 on board at the commencement of the fight. Whatever the number was, he considered the absence of the landing party a very severe handicap. He explained to me the Zemthing incident and how they tried to lure the Pistolot to close quarters. He further explained that it was the first time that he had been ashore for three months, except for seven minutes on "another island."

It was not the Emden which passed here on September 1, but he suggested that it might have been the Königsberg. I asked him whether in the event of our cruiser returning he intended to fight on the island and he shrugged his shoulders and said "I must." As the ship would most certainly have shelled and arranged with him that the staff and servants should go to another island out of the danger zone, and I told the carpenter to tell the Chinamen to make all preparations to leave. On account of the few boats and the probable shortness of notice, I am afraid that not all could have got away, but I had no intention of going until every man and servant had gone. Direction Island would have afforded sufficient shelter and was quite safe for a few and I did not feel at all inclined to move. Another officer with the landing party was Lieut. Schmidt, son of Admiral Schmidt of Kiel.

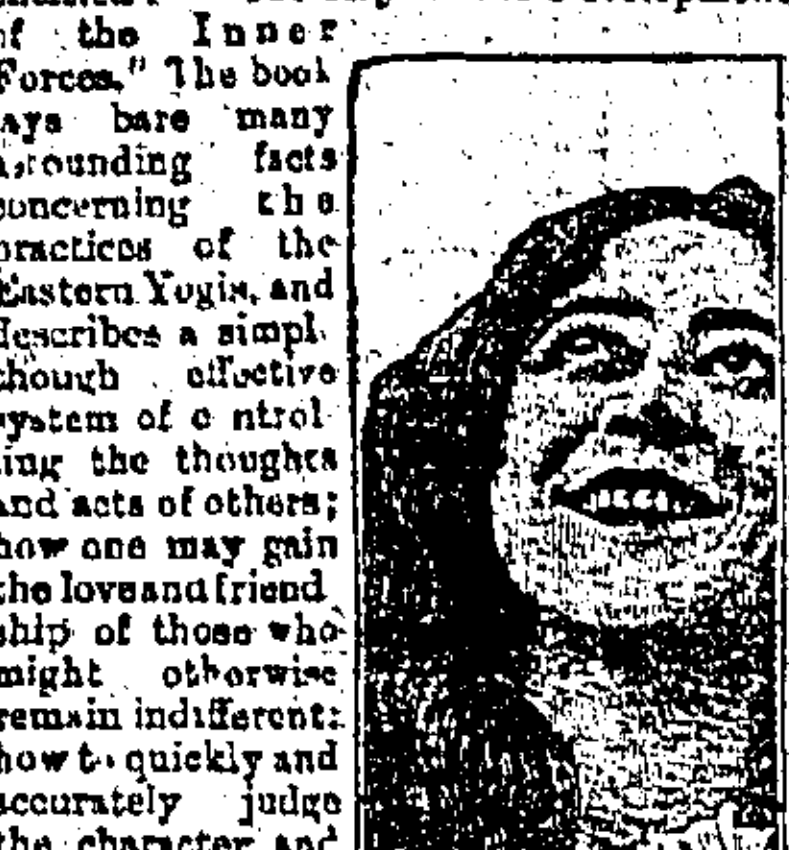
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from the office roof, and that is how the Emden was discovered. The Germans allowed their men no alcohol except what they stole, and none was taken away in the Ayesha. Excepting a very thing, long day in a hot sun with next to nothing to eat we were not put to any great discomfort and any worry was discounted by the joy of being instrumental in catching the notorious Emden. The pleasure certainly predominated over the pain. I am glad to have been here and to have been able to do what we did, and I believe this is echoed by everyone. We have also received many kind messages and congratulations. I am sending one of this instrument adjusters, in the shape of a big air. I did not go aboard the Sydney when she returned, but I believe they speak very highly of Doctor Ollerhead's ability and the assistance he gave to the ship. The Emden flew no colours and evidently hoped to find us asleep. As it was, they turned out quite a few men!

A C-NADIAN'S ODE.

(From the camp at Valenciennes.)

Don't think of death with fright;
Old Fate with smirking glee
Hath spun her nickel bright.

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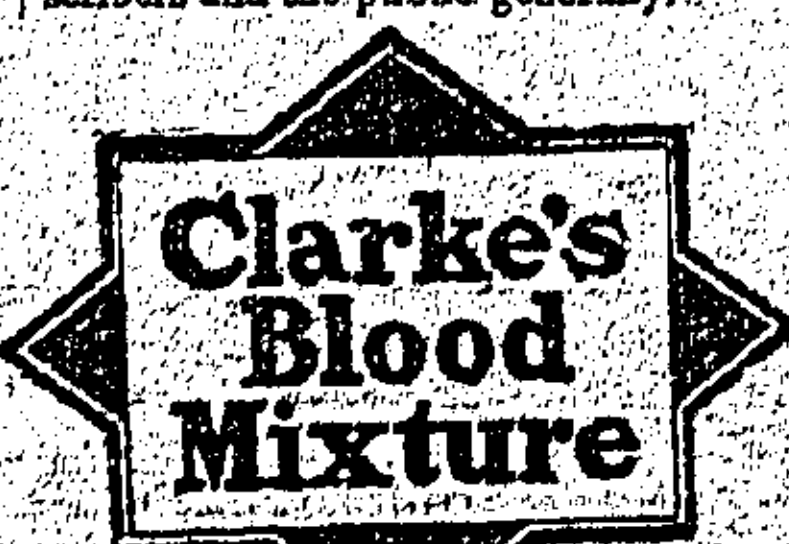
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MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.

8 a.m.—Excursion to Macao.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture, etc.,
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5.30 p.m.—Organ Recital at St. John's
Cathedral.

General Memoranda.

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An Irish terrier dog found wandering by the Police last night during prohibited hours without a collar or muzzle was shot.

Dr. McKenney, a Birmingham Pathologist, reports to the Police that a person has been found dead in his own two counterpanes and a bath towel, value \$15.

It is announced that Mr. A. D. Sorensen has been appointed to the charge of the Great Northern Telegraph Company's station in Hongkong to Mr. R. C. Black.

The Fire Brigade was called this morning to a fire at the Alexandra Café. It was found that a chimney had caught alight. No damage was done.

American papers state that the Great Northern Steamship Company's *Minerva* has been acquired by a British company and will not cross the Pacific again.

Proclamations by H. M. the King prohibiting the importation of certain goods into the United Kingdom are published in the current issue of the Gazette.

A Board of Trade notice relative to the grant or renewal of patents, or for obtaining the registration of designs or trade marks in enemy countries are gazetted.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending Nov. 28 amounted to 57,535.44 tons and the sales during the period, to 52,340.86 tons.

His Honour the Chief Justice has directed that the next Criminal Sessions for the despatch of the business of the Court shall commence on Monday, December 21, at 10 a.m.

The services at Union Church tomorrow will be conducted by the Rev. C. Pope (morning) and Rev. T. W. Pearce (evening); the pastor, Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, being unwell.

Four coolies were charged at the Magistrate's court before Mr. Hazlewood with the larceny of four Government trunks which were taken from a plantation near Conduit Road. Each coolie was sentenced to a month's imprisonment, with the option of a fine of \$10.00.

The steamship "Tai On," which was twice pirated and, on the second occasion, deliberately set on fire by West River pirates and burnt practically clean out, is ready for sea again. The hull and engine were only slightly damaged. The latter have now been repaired and new woodwork has been fitted in the ship. She is at present lying in Yuenai Bay and will shortly be put on her old run.

We are glad to learn that Mrs. Milroy, who has been collecting on behalf of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Tobacco Fund, inaugurated by the "Weekly Dispatch," Carmelite Street, London, has already been able to remit the very satisfactory sum of £10 to that address. Mrs. Milroy has thoughtfully suggested that the money, if possible, be expended on behalf of the 2nd Battalion of the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry, who were recently stationed at Hongkong.

The Imperial Merchant Service Guild have lately interested themselves as regards one of their shipmaster members who on signing off his crew was unable to produce the full vouchers required in respect to two deserters, against whom over £12 had been advanced as wages. Although there were members of the crew who were willing to swear to it the claim was disallowed. In a communication now received by the Guild they are informed by the Board of Trade that having regard to the further proof which has been forwarded by the Captain, through the medium of the Guild the sum has been refunded.

A PLOT THAT FAILED.

An amazing story of conspiracy to obtain \$1,000 was revealed at the Police Court this morning before Mr. Wood. Inspector Terrett, prosecuting a man and a woman, said that three days ago the woman came to the Police Station and made a report that she had been robbed at her house by four men who carried revolvers. They had taken away \$1,000. The Police went to the house and saw that the general appearance of the room did not correspond to the woman's story. A search was made and the woman had said that they were going to pretend an armed robbery and had told her what to say if the Police came. She was to get \$50 for saying it. The man came to the room and the woman handed to him a cash box containing the money, and he took it downstairs. The man brought to the house two bags made of sugar-cane and tied ends of string to them and gave them to the woman telling her to make some trash marks on them. The money belonged to the man, whom the woman claimed as her husband, but which is stated to be untrue. During the time of the robbery he was in the room above and saw the woman taking the money. The case was remanded until Wednesday to allow the Police to follow up the tracks of the stolen money.

HONGKONG CADET CORPS.

NEW REGULATIONS.

The Colonial Secretary announces in the "Government Gazette" that new regulations have been drawn up for the Hongkong Cadet Corps in substitution for the hitherto in force. The notification reads as follows:

It is hereby notified that the Commandant, Hongkong Volunteer Corps, has, with the approval of His Excellency the Governor, established a Cadet Company in connection with the Corps under the provisions of Regulation 5 (2) of the Hongkong Volunteer Regulations, 1910, subject to the following regulations:

1. The Company shall be known as the Cadet Company, Hongkong Volunteer Corps.

2. The Establishment of the Company shall be as follows:—1 Lieutenant; 2 Sergeants; 2 Corporals; 3 Buglers; 50 Privates.

3. Officers shall be appointed by the Governor on the recommendation of the Commandant, Hongkong Volunteer Corps.

4. Non-commissioned officers shall be appointed by the Commandant, Hongkong Volunteer Corps, after examination, and on the recommendation of the officer commanding the company.

5. At the time of being enrolled a Cadet must—(a) be on the roll of a Government British or Garrison School; (b) be not less than 13 years of age, and physically fit; (c) have obtained in writing the consent of the parents to enrol.

6. Every Cadet shall, on his admission as a member of the Cadet Company, sign the following form of enrolment and shall be bound thereby:—"I, A.B., being desirous of becoming an active member of the Cadet Company of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, and having been duly admitted thereto do hereby engage to be bound by any rules and regulations for the time being in force for the Company."

7. On attaining the age of 17 years a Cadet will be required to resign from the Company, unless he is of or above the rank of Corporal, in which case he will be permitted to serve till the age of 18.

8. The Government will provide necessary arms, equipment and uniforms. The officer commanding the Company will be responsible for the safe keeping of all arms and equipment.

9. Uniform shall be of a pattern approved by the Governor.

10. The administration, discipline and instruction of the Company shall be in the hands of the officer commanding the Company under the general control of the Commandant, Hongkong Volunteer Corps.

11. (1) The drill season shall be from the 1st of October to the 31st of March in each year.

(2) An annual inspection will take place at the end of the drill season. It will be held by the Commandant of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps or by an officer appointed by him for that purpose.

(3) It shall be the duty of every member of the Company to be present at the annual inspection unless he is specially excused by the Commandant or furnishes a medical certificate of sickness.

(4) A camp of instruction shall be held in each year at a place appointed by the Commandant of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps for the training of the Company.

(5) It shall be the duty of every member of the Company to attend the camp of instruction for not less than 3 days unless he is specially excused by the officer commanding the Company or furnishes a medical certificate of sickness. The Commandant of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps will arrange for the transport of the Company and books for the Cadet Company in accordance with the provisions of the Hongkong Volunteer Regulations in force from time to time relating to these matters.

12. A Cadet in order to be reckoned as an efficient member of the Company must be present at the annual inspection of the Company and must be approved by the Officer Commanding the Company or through sickness duly certified, must have passed an examination in signalling prescribed by the Commandant of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps and must have attended not less than 20 squad and unit drill drills and 10 company field training and inspection drills in each of the first 2 years of service and not less than 6 squad and unit drills and 3 company field training and inspection drills during the third year of service.

13. An annual issue free of charge of more than 200 rounds of ammunition will be made for each Officer and Cadet for purposes of firing the musketry course and for field firing.

14. A Cadet who is guilty of misconduct or who fails to qualify as efficient may be dismissed by the Governor on the recommendation of the Commandant.

ORGAN RECITAL.

The following is the programme of the Recital to be given by Mr. Deagan Fuller at St. John's Cathedral on Monday, Dec. 14th, at 5.30 p.m.:

1. Air and variations Smart
2. "Tune picture" (Night) E. Elgar
3. "Fondle Me" and Hymn G. Smetana
4. Andantino E. Lemaire
5. Barcarola Sterndale-Bennett
6. Finale (Patriotic Symphony) Tchaikovsky

During the singing of the Hymn a collection will be made in aid of the general expenses of the Cathedral.

ALIEN ENEMY EMPLOYEES.

The Imperial Merchant Service Guild have lately notified the Admiralty of certain British-owned mail and passenger steamers trading abroad under the British flag. In several of which Germans were acting as Officers. Information has now reached the Guild from these vessels that official orders have been given to discharge all German and Austrian employees in these ships, one month's pay having been granted in lieu of notice.

A GERMAN DESTROYER.

HERE is no danger whatever from a look jaw or blood poisoning resulting from a wound when Chamberlain's Pain Expeller is properly applied. It is an antiseptic and destroys the germs which cause these diseases. It also causes wounds to heal without maturation and in one third the time required by the usual treatment. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

THE SITUATION AT THE FRONT.

GERMAN FAILURES.

(By E. Ashmead-Bartlett in the "Daily Telegraph" of Nov. 3.)

The German army possesses one remarkable quality which stands out above all others, namely its power of continuing a useless offensive. The various corps along all sections of the extended front stretching from the Channel to the Argonne never seem to tire of delivering these attacks, which sometimes gain a little ground, but which almost invariably end in defeat and heavy loss. Probably it is a mistake to say that the army does not weary of them. It is the generals who, apparently, have no other plan of campaign than that which consists in throwing away thousands of lives on the off chance that something may happen which will lead to victory.

Just how long this policy can be continued it would be very instructive to know. There are no signs yet which seem to point to a definite change in the German plans. It would appear as if the General Staff have not yet begun to realise the utter futility of charging bull-headedly against positions which, even if captured, only disclose others equally formidable behind. These great attempts to break through a section of the Allies' line have been tried in every possible position. They failed at the Marne; they were repulsed on the Aisne; they met with no better success between Reims and Lausanne, and further north between Arras and Albert. In the Argonne the army of the Crown Prince has been uniformly unsuccessful.

The German efforts culminated last week in the desperate attempt to pass the Yser against the French and Belgians, and to force the British positions round Ypres. We do not know the extent of the losses during this period, but we know that our own and those of our Allies have been very heavy; therefore, as the Germans have been attacking the whole time, their losses must have been infinitely greater.

CASUALTIES AT DIMDULDE.
The retirement from Dimdulse has enabled the French to go over the ground which the enemy crossed in their series of assaults on the trenches round that town. An officer with whom I have spoken tells me that in the course of the whole war he has never seen a battle so close and so hard-fought as that which took place there. The German line actually entered Dimdulse was annihilated, and the bodies littered the streets of that unfortunate town. Yet this is only a small portion of the extended front.

Everywhere the same story is told. In their hatred of the English the Germans have fought more like desperadoes than Europeans, throwing away their lives and refusing either to give or ask for quarter. Having failed in the North, they have now renewed their efforts south of Dimdulse, on the Aisne, in the plains of the Marne, and in the Argonne. Nowhere have they gained any ground. No army, however great in numbers and however brave, can continue this sort of thing indefinitely. If we read the signs aright, the great German offensive has at length spent its force, and the General Staff must soon prepare to retire to the Meuse and the Rhine.

From time to time we shall read of counter-attacks against sections of our line, but these will only be made to cover the general retirement. After the great disaster on the Yser it is hardly conceivable that the German generals will plan out another offensive with any hope of achieving a definite success.

WHY THEY FAILED.

The German commanders are probably now wondering why all their offensive movements have failed, in spite of the fact that they have thrown away lives with a recklessness that Napoleon never equalled in his palmist days. The results, compared with the losses, are nil. The enemy's failure seems to be due primarily to an entire misconception of the character of modern warfare, and, secondly, to the arrogance of the German military party, who could not believe that any troops could long withstand shock tactics designed to achieve a definite result within a given time, no matter what the cost of life.

Whereas the French General Staff made a most careful study of the lessons of the Russo-Japanese War, and have based their tactics on the objective lessons of that campaign, the Germans seem to have totally ignored those lessons, or to have regarded the Russo-Japanese War as a struggle which could throw no light on what would happen in Europe. The Russo-Japanese War taught one great lesson—namely, that modern armies of more or less equal strength may go on fighting indefinitely without either being able to gain the crushing victories which decided campaigns up to the period of the Franco-German War. That war also taught the lesson that the loss of the attackers are out of all proportion to those of the defenders, and that, even if ground is gained, the result is immediately neutralised by the extreme exhaustion of the victors, which precludes all hope of following up a temporary or local success.

ATTEMPTS ARE USELESS.
In the face of these facts the Germans, fully believing in their own invincibility,

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COLONIAL POINTMENTS.

VOLUNTEER AND RESERVE ADJUTANTS.

The following appointments by H.M. the Governor were gazetted to-day:—
Captain W. L. Carter of the Hongkong Volunteer Reserve to be Honorary Adjutant, vice Captain L. G. Bird, resigned with effect from 4th December, 1914.
Captain G. E. Stewart of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps to be Adjutant, with effect from 10th December, 1914.

Mr. Geoffrey Robley Sayer has been attached for duty to the office of the Official Receiver, with effect from the 13th October, 1914. Government Notification No. 415 of the 30th October, 1914, is therefore cancelled.

HONGKONG'S RAINFALL.

The following table gives the monthly rainfall at the Observatory to the end of November with the means and extremes for 30 years:—

MONTH.	1914.	MEAN.	MAX.	MIN.
January.....	6.00	1.44	8.43	0.00
February.....	3.24	1.69	7.66	0.00
March.....	1.10	2.99	11.49	0.17
April.....	4.46	5.31	14.89	1.23
May.....	12.62	11.71	48.81	1.15
June.....	12.3	15.63	34.37	2.34
July.....	20.39	12.55	28.24	4.57
August.....	4.21	14.38	37.06	0.63
September.....	19.98	9.67	37.60	0.63
October.....	6.45	4.91	23.99	0.01
November.....	8.81	1.42	7.32	0.01

The year's rainfall to the end of the month amounts to 10.43 inches, the 30 years mean for the same period being 11.03 inches.

It will be seen that November's rainfall creates a record for the month, the previous wettest November being in 1897 with 7.32 inches.

The Observatory report for the month of November shows that on two days temperatures of over 80 degrees Fahr. were recorded—a maximum of 80.6 on the 4th and of 81.8 on the 3rd. The 25th was the coldest day, with a mean of 61.7 degrees and a minimum reading of 50.0. Sunshine aggregating 113.1 hours was recorded. The rainfall record at the Observatory was 8.81 in on seventeen days; at the Botanical Gardens 9.10 on 16 days; at the Matilda Hospital, Mount Kaitai, 9.25 on 14 days; and at the Police Station, 12.58 on 15 days.

have over and over again attempted the impossible, and every time they have failed. They have, in fact, played into the hands of the Allies over since von Alcock turned south-east towards the Marne, instead of marching on Paris. General Joffre's Fabian tactics, although very difficult to understand at first, were so much opposed to the well-known character of the French troops, have since been amply justified by results. The story, wearing-down form of warfare has proved fatal to German ambitions, because the situation in the East rendered rapid success in the west absolutely essential. The flower of the German army has been wiped out in the course of the first three months of the war, and the material with which these losses are now being replaced is very poor, when compared with the trained veterans who swept in an irresistible flood from Liège to the Marne.

It is true that the Allies have also suffered frightful losses, but these have had unlimited reserves in course of formation; and as the French have only to supply twenty-three corps as compared with the German fifty-four, the material for a long time to come will continue to be of the same quality as that of which the corps were originally composed. Of late the Russians have won pronounced success in Poland. The Germans admit defeat, and are in full retreat to their own frontiers. Under these circumstances it would appear an act of mad folly almost amounting to suicide for the German commanders to linger a moment longer than is necessary on French soil.

NAPOLEONIC DOCTRINES.

The character of modern warfare has so completely changed since the Napoleonic days that some genius has yet to work out a new scheme of strategy and tactics whereby decisive results may be obtained on the battlefield. We have, in fact, for the time being, abandoned the Napoleonic theory that all battles are won by being the strongest at a given point. Apparently we have gone back to the old tactics on a vast scale—of the days of Frederick the Great and his contemporaries. In those days armies fought in line or in a series of lines, and if one of the wings was rolled up, the battle was considered lost. Napoleon came along and taught the world that it did not matter if the line was broken, or if both its wings were turned, as long as a decisive success could be won by superior numbers elsewhere.

In this campaign both armies were possessed with the delusion of keeping an unbroken front facing the enemy stretching for 200 miles. Every attempt of one commander to outflank the other has been met with a corresponding extension to keep the line intact. The net result is that we have the Germans and the Allies so extended that up to the present neither side has been able to make a sufficient concentration to "break through" at any point. The war seems thus to have come to a dead-lock, and might remain so indefinitely but for the pressure of the Russians on Germany's eastern frontier.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE PROGRESS OF
THE WAR.LATEST NEWS FROM FRANCE
AND BELGIUM.ALLIES STEADILY
ADVANCING.THE SOUTH AFRICAN REBELLION
PRACTICALLY ENDED.

THE NURNBERG CAPTURED AND SUNK.

FRESH ENEMY ATTACKS AT YPRES REPULSED.

London, Dec. 11, 9.30 p.m.—
A Paris *communiqué* states that the enemy displayed some activity in the region of Ypres and delivered several attacks, three of which were completely repulsed.
The Germans succeeded in reaching one trench in our first line.
We continued our progress in the direction of the enemy's lines, however.
There have been artillery duels in the regions of Arras and Juvin-court.
We pushed our trenches forward in the Argonne, and repelled two German attacks.
We consolidated our gains at Varennes, where the German artillery has shown great activity but caused no casualties.
There has been the same activity on the heights of the Meuse.
Our progress at Bois le Petre has been maintained and consolidated.
We captured Aspreux railway station, to the south of Thann.
There have been artillery exchanges along the rest of the front.

(Official Telegram from French Government via Peking.)

On the 9th inst. calm prevailed in Belgium and in the Arras region. In Le Quesnoy and Andechy regions the Allies progressed going from 200 to 600 metres.

No change in the Aisne and Champagne regions.
The German artillery was more active but was checked by the French heavy artillery which obliged the Germans to evacuate several trenches in the neighbourhood of Rheims.

In the Perthe region the Germans made several attempts to re-take the trenches they were obliged to yield on the 8th inst., but they were repulsed with heavy losses.

The French advance is still proceeding in Argonne.
French troops carried new trenches and repulsed six counter-attacks conducted by German infantry.

Artillery fighting in heights of Meuse district was advantageous for the French, who took up new trenches in Le Petre wood and took numerous prisoners.

HAVAS Telegram, Dec. 10, 6.35 a.m.
Yesterday in Belgium and in the Arras region we progressed from 200 to 600 metres.

In Le Quesnoy and Andechy regions the ground gained was maintained and strengthened.

In the Aisne and Champagne regions German artillery was more active and we checked its fire.

In the region Perthe all counter-attacks were repulsed. We continue to progress in the whole of the Argonne region.

We carried new trenches and repulsed six counter-attacks, completing and strengthening ground gained.

We kept a marked advantage in heights of Meuse, in spite of new activity on the part of the German batteries.

SOUTH AFRICAN REBELLION SMASHED.

London, Dec. 11, 6.20 p.m.—
The Press Bureau states that Sir Sydney Buxton, Governor-General of the South African Union, in a despatch to Mr. L. H. Courtney, Secretary of State for the Colonies, announces that the rebellion is practically at an end. A few small bodies of rebels may give a little trouble, but if they do it will be for the police rather than the military to deal with it.

THE "NURNBERG" CAPTURED AND SUNK.

London, Dec. 10, 9.15 p.m.—
The Press Bureau announces that Vice-Admiral Sir Frederick Sturdee has reported that the Nurnberg was also sunk on the 8th inst. The search for the Dresden is proceeding.
The main action lasted five hours with intervals. The Scharnhorst was sunk after three hours and the Gneisenau two hours later.
The enemy's light cruisers scattered and were chased by our cruisers and light cruisers.
No loss of any British ship is reported.

[The Nurnberg was a protected cruiser and sistership to the Konigsberg with a displacement of 3,550 tons. She was completed in 1906 and had a designed A.H.P. of 18,200. Her speed was 23.5 knots and she carried ten 4.1 inch quick-firing and two machine guns.—Ed.]

THE NEWS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED AT BERLIN.

London, Dec. 11, 5.5 p.m.—
Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent telegraphs that a Berlin official statement announces the sinking of three German warships at the Falkland Islands.

"They were seeking H.M.S.S. Glasgow and Canopus, but a very strong British squadron was despatched to destroy our cruisers. We must also reckon on the loss of the Nurnberg and Dresden as the British vessels were big, fast and well armed," the statement adds.

THE STRUGGLE IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM.

London, Dec. 11, 1.10 a.m.—
The evening Paris official announcement says that the situation is unchanged. French aviators again dropped sixteen bombs successfully upon the station and aviation sheds at Freiburg-in-Breisgau. In spite of a lively cannonade they returned safely.

BY TELEGRAPH.

ALLIES REPORTED TO HAVE ENTERED ROULERS.

London, Dec. 10, 11.30 p.m.—
An Amsterdam telegram states that the Swiss correspondent of the *Hanoversche* reports that the Allies have entered Roulers.

GERMANS ANXIOUS REGARDING FLANDERS.

London, Dec. 11.
Dutch papers state that the Germans are anxious about the situation in Western Flanders and are replacing their losses from the garrisons in Belgium. They have also sent there 7,000 troops from the North of France and are preparing to abandon Thourout and Thell before the Allies advance.

(Official Telegrams from the British Foreign Office.)

WHAT GERMANY WOULD LIKE TO DO.

The German Press report that the National Liberal leader Herr Bassermann, in a speech to the members of his party in the Reichstag, made a definite admission that Germany intends to hold permanently the country which she has occupied. "Let us hold fast," he said, "to that which we have won, and over and above that acquire all that we need." By a bloody war, he pleaded, victory. That is the motto of this great time.

GERMANS HAMPERED BY A SCARCITY OF GUNS.

It is reported that the weakening of the German offensive is due to the great scarcity of guns. The German military authorities have only got one rifle for every three reservists now called to the colours.

SERBS HEAVILY DEFEAT THE AUSTRIANS.

London, Dec. 10.
The Serbian Press Bureau states that on December 5th the Serbians gained successes along the whole line, particularly on the Left Wing. The enemy were crushed and retired in disorder. Officers and 1,810 men were captured; also two mountain howitzers, five mountain guns, four machine guns rifles, and telegraphic material were taken.

ANOTHER SULTAN LOYAL TO BRITAIN.

The Sultan of Zanzibar has issued a most loyal address to the Moslem community of the coast region of the East Africa Protectorate.

REPORTED SUBMARINE ATTACK ON DOVER.

London, Dec. 11.
There was some excitement at Dover yesterday morning caused by the firing of a battery commanding the breakwater and Naval harbour. It is reported that German submarines twice attempted to enter the harbour, but were repulsed. The Admiralty states that it has no confirmation of this report.

THE KAISER'S HEALTH.

London, Dec. 10.
An Amsterdam telegram says that an official announcement made at Berlin states that the Kaiser's condition has considerably improved. The catarrh is relaxing and his temperature is normal.

EMPIRE-WIDE REJOICINGS.

London, Dec. 10.
There are rejoicings throughout the Empire over the Naval victory and much enthusiasm is shown in the United States.

BRITISH OVERSEAS PATRIOTIC LEAGUE.

London, Dec. 11.
His Majesty the King has consented to become the patron of the Patriotic League of Britons Overseas which was originated by Lords Selborne, Milner, Curzon and other eminent public men. It is proposed that British residents in foreign countries shall contribute towards the gift of a warship to the Admiralty.

THE BRITISH VICTORY AT KURNA.

London, Dec. 10.
The Press Bureau announces that our captures at Kurna were 1,100 prisoners, exclusive of wounded, and nine guns. The late Governor of Basra only surrendered after plucky resistance.

BEYERS' BODY RECOVERED.

London, Dec. 11.
A Johannesburg telegram reports that the body of General Beyers, the traitor, who was drowned while crossing the Vaal river, has been recovered.

CARGO INSURANCE REDUCED.

London, Dec. 11.
The Government rate of insurance for cargoes has been reduced from two guineas to 14 guineas.

THE AUSTRIANS ADMIT DEFEAT.

London, Dec. 10.
An Amsterdam telegram states that an Austrian *communiqué* admits that the Austrian army has been unable to penetrate the strong Serbian forces and has been compelled to retire in order to avoid hostile counter-attacks.

THE SITUATION IN POLAND.

London, Dec. 11.
A Petrograd official announcement states that there was no important change in the situation on the 9th inst. Isolated German attempts at an offensive occasioned engagements in the districts of Ciechanow and Przemysl and also in Piotrkow and other districts, with results unfavourable to the Germans.

THE NEW CHIEF OF THE BRITISH GENERAL STAFF.

London, Dec. 11.
General Sir J. Wolf Murray, K.C.B., has been appointed Chief of the General Staff, vice the late General Sir C. W. H. Douglas.

MR. BANDMANN'S FORTHCOMING ENTERTAINMENTS.

Mr. Maurice Bandmann, writing from London, informs us that he has arranged with the well known musical combination, "The Grozopers," shortly to visit Hongkong. This will be the first time that this Company has left England, and they will present their performances on identically the same lines as they were given during their recent successful seasons at the Savoy and Palace Theatres, London.

This Company will be followed soon after by the able and popular comedienne, Miss Ada Reeve, who will be supported by the "greatest aggregation of talent" that has ever visited the East.
The next attraction will be the new Bandmann Opera Company, who are at present being formed in London. For the first time in nine years, the Bandmann Opera Company have returned to England for the purpose of entire re-organization. The new Company will be equipped with new scenery, new wardrobe, and new productions generally, and will visit Hongkong in due course.

THE NEW ARMY.

Allahabad, November 14th.
The Pioneer's London correspondent cables that Mr. Asquith's total of 1,180,000 Regulars authorized consists of 188,000 of the old army and one million of the new. The new army will be raised in three years, the Bandmann field army has been equipped with new weapons, and the total is nearly 1,000,000 men.

A NEW ARM.

Twenty new motor machine gun batteries are being formed and are ordered to be sent to the front and war, according to the Press. The new arm is being tested with great effect. When the first time in nine years, the Bandmann field army has been equipped with new weapons, and the total is nearly 1,000,000 men.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LORD ABERDEEN RESIGNS.

London, Dec. 10.
Lord Aberdeen has resigned the office of Lord Lieutenant of Ireland for private reasons.

It is rumoured that Lord Wimborne will be his successor.

[Lord Aberdeen, who is in his sixty eighth year, became Lord Lieutenant of Ireland in 1905. He was Governor General of Canada from 1891 to 1898.—Ed.]

INTERVIEW WITH MR. ALFRED SZE.

London, Dec. 10, 9.15 a.m.

Mr. Alfred Sze, the newly appointed Chinese Ambassador to St. James's in an interview with a representative of Reuter's Agency, declared that there is general confidence in the present government of China. The President and Government continue successfully to grapple with the opium question, and all financial obligations are being punctually met, notwithstanding decreases in the customs tariff and the drop in the rate of exchange occasioned by the war.

Mr. Sze said he was received with the greatest cordiality by the Governor of Hongkong, the Straits Settlements, Ceylon, upon whom he called on his way to Europe.

OBITUARY.

Sir John Bonser.

London, Dec. 12, 1.35 a.m.

The death of the Rt. Hon. Sir John Winfield Bonser, P.C., is announced.

[The deceased Knight had a distinguished career and held several important Colonial appointments. He was Taster of the Crown Law at Lincoln's Inn in 1889, a Fellow of Christ's College, Cambridge, Attorney-General of the Straits Settlements 1883-1893, Chief Justice of the same 1893-1901, Chief Justice of Ceylon 1893-1902, Privy Council 1901, and Member of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, 1902. Sir John Bonser was born in 1847, the only son of the Rev. John Bonser, of Hastings.—Ed.]

A NEW MAGAZINE.

In his first editorial, the editor of the "Hongkong University Magazine" says "The inevitable has happened." You cannot have a University without a University Magazine. The sponsors of the former are a sort of grandfathers of the latter. The origin of great things is often veiled in obscurity. The Journalists in Hongkong say that the idea of the University Magazine originated in the newspaper office. In our grateful use to the knights of the pen we attempt to become honorary members of the profession.

And right well the attempt has succeeded. The magazine is full of bright, breezy reading on a variety of topics affecting the activities of the university and its students, and it is attractively produced. The cover design is the work of one of the students.

A clever coloured impression of the Senior Dean, by Mr. S. H. Iker, and a full page half-tone print of the University building illustrate the number.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

Corps Orders by Lieut.-Col. A. Chapman, V.D.

JOINED.

The undermentioned members having the Corps are posted as follows:—Pte J. A. Howe to Civil Service Company Pte J. T. Howe to Civil Service Company.
H.E. the Governor has appointed Capt. G. E. Stephens of the H.K.V.C. to be Adjutant, with effect from the 10th December 1914.

PROMOTION.

Le.-Capt. J. Smith, Centre Section M. G. Co. is promoted to be Corporal dated 12. 12. 14.

TRAVELLING CLAIMS.

Travelling claims must be sent in on or before the 3rd of the month.

PARADES.

Parades for Monday 14th inst. at 6.10 a.m. till 6.15 p.m. No. 2 Section Artillery, 13 Pr. Gun Drill. Remainder, Musketry exercises; S. M. Colley will attend.

DETAILS.

On duty No. 2 Section Artillery, Left Section and Centre Section M. G. Co.
Next for duty No. 1 Section Artillery, Right Section M. G. Co. and Civil Service Company.

Officers on duty, Capt. Scott, Lieut. Rees and Lieut. Wright.
Next for duty, Capt. Churchill, Lieut. Kenneth and Lieut. Smith.
Orderly Officer, Lieut. Rees.

Next for duty, Lieut. Kenneth.
To furnish Guard to-night, Centre Section M. G. Co.
To furnish Guard to-morrow, Left Section M. G. Co.

To furnish Guard Monday, Civil Service Company.
Orderly Sergeant to night, Corpl. Bolton, to-morrow, Sergt. Bullock.

Monday, Sergt. Barlow.

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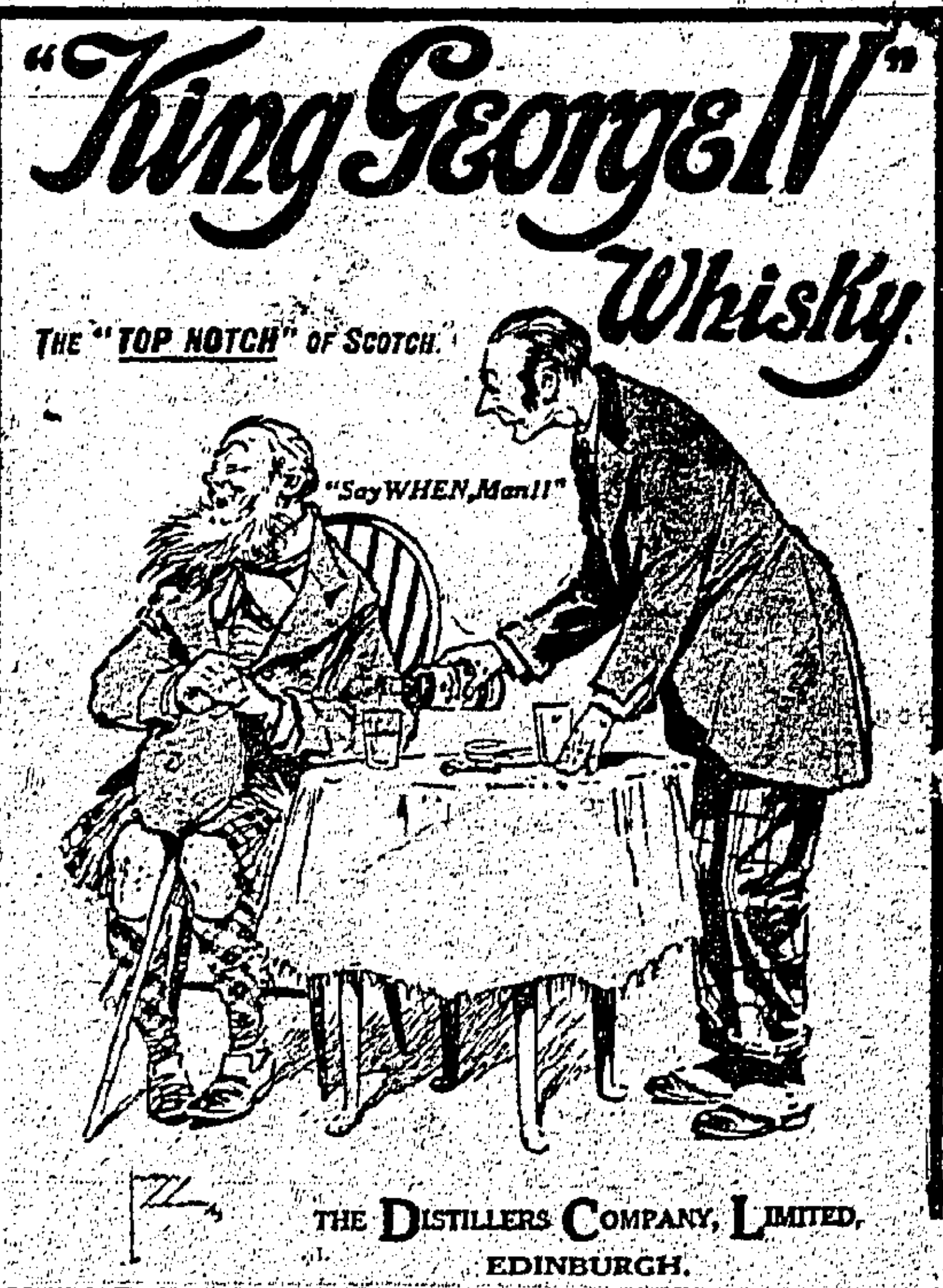
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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM SAN FRANCISCO, JAPAN
PORTS & MANILA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship
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The above-mentioned vessel having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for cargo transshipment and to take immediate delivery at Caguas for cargo to be shipped. Incoming discharge will be landed immediately at Consignees risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after **THURSDAY, Dec. 10th, 1914** at noon will be subject to general cargo and if undischarged on **MONDAY, Dec. 14th, 1914** at 5 p.m. will be subject to both landing and storage charges.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Claims for damaged and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's Godown on **SATURDAY, Dec. 12th, 1914** at 10 a.m.

No claims will be entertained unless accompanied by shore delivery note or bills of exceptions taken at the time of delivery to Consignees and signed for and on behalf of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co.

All claims must be filed on or before **WEDNESDAY, Dec. 16th** otherwise they will not be recognized.

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HAIPHONG.....	LOKSANG.....	THURSDAY, Dec. 17, Daylight
MANILA.....	LOONGSANG.....	SATURDAY, Dec. 19, at 3 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.....	FOOSHING	THURSDAY, Dec. 24, at 3 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.....	YATSHING..	WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30, at 3 p.m.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, JAPAN
PORTS & MANILA

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship

The above-mentioned vessel having been chartered by the company, the cargo is hereby offered to send in their Bill of Lading for transshipment and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside. Cargo subject to survey and discharge will be landed in accordance with the bill of lading and export certificate. Cargo remaining on board after TEUCREAN DAY, Dec. 10th, 1914 at noon will be subject to landing charges and if undelivered after TEUCREAN DAY, Dec. 14th 1914 at noon will be subject to both landing and storage charges.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Losses and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's warehouse on SATURDAY, Dec. 12th, 1914, 10 a.m.

No claims will be entertained unless supported by short delivery notes or bills of exceptions taken at the time of delivery of the cargo.

Consignees and shippers for and on behalf of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co.

All claims must be filed on or before the 15th inst. otherwise they will not be recognized.

R. C. MORTON,
Agent
Hongkong, Dec. 8, 1914. 127

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Co.'s Steamship Ku'king havin

arrived from the above Ports. Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after noon the 9th inst., will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by—

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.
Agents.

Hongkong, Dec. 8, 1914. 127

AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN LINE
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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
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FROM NEW YORK & SINGAPORE

THE Steamship
CITY OF NORFOLK.
McMullen, having arrived
hereby inform that, Consignees of Cargo
are to be informed that their Goods at
being landed at their risk into the Godowns
of the **HONGKONG AND KOWLOON STEAMSHIP**
Company, **GOODE & CO., LTD.,** at Kowloon, and
restored at Consignees' risk and expense.
All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where the
same will be examined on **MONDAY, 14th**
inst. All Claims must be presented within
three days of the steamer's arrival here after
which date they cannot be recognised.
No Claims will be admitted after the
expiry of the above period, and all Goods
remaining undelivered after the 14th
inst. will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be counter-signed
by **SEAWAN TOWNS & CO.**
Agents.

Hongkong, Dec. 7, 1914. 12

'BEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LEITH, MIDDLESBRO'
LONDON, AND ELSEWHERE

OTHER Steamships

BEN LARNG.
 Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk unto the hazardous and, or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Shanghai Godown Warehouse Co., Ltd. and from the wharves delivered may be obtained.
 No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and a claim remaining undetermined after the 12th instant, will be subject to rent.
 All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned or before the 14th instant; or they will not be receivable.
 All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods will be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 12th instant.
 A. M. A.
 No Fire Insurance has been effected.
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